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Bentonite Pits (M/041/0012) - Notice of Intent update requirement

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To: Jeff McClellan <jefferymcclellan@hotmail.com>

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Hi Jeff,

I just called Corey Thurston, and Corey asked that I forward this message over to your email. It involves the requirement to update your Notice of Intention by January 29, 2016, as discussed in a recent Division letter (dated October 2, 2015).

Corey asked me to make sure that the Notice actually needed to be updated. I checked the aerial photographs, and the actual disturbance is about 5 acres greater than the Notice shows, maybe more. So both the maps and the text in the Notice will need to be updated to reflect both current and future (planned) conditions and acreage. It will be a good time to re-evaluate both your operation and reclamation plan.

Attached is a Word document that is recommended to help you prepare a replacement Notice, which can be based on the approved Notice (but updated and corrected).

FYI, the new maps will not need to have a survey-grade accuracy.

Feel free to call if you have any questions.

Peter

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From: Peter Brinton <peterbrinton@utah.gov>

Date: Fri, Nov 27, 2015 at 8:41 AM

Subject: Bentonite Pits (M/041/0012) - Notice of Intent update requirement

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Hi Brad,

Our recent letter requires that the Notice of Intent be updated (including your operation and reclamation plans). Corey and I spoke during an August mine inspection about this, but it took a while to send you our October 2, 2015 letter.

Attached is a Word document that could be used as a template. The first part is instructions (pages 1-18), and the second part is the form that could be submitted to the Division (pages 19-34, numbered 1 - 14).

I realize January 29th is coming soon, with Christmas, etc. If you know that you will need more time to prepare the updated Notice of Intent, please request an extension with a realistic date by which you can have it done.

At some point, it would be helpful to have a conversation with whoever is preparing the updated plan, so that they are aware of some specific Notice requirements.

Feel free to call if you have questions. Thanks.

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